



Presbyterian pastor Chong Sik Cha, his wife, and eldest son, ROK Army captain Tong Il Cha, are reunited in South Korea after more than two years of war separation.

## The Church in Korea: Family Reunion

A Presbyterian family from North Korea was finally reunited in Chonan, South Korea, last month after a series of incredible adventures.

The Reverend Chong Sik Cha, a prominent Presbyterian pastor, had to flee quickly from the North when UN forces retreated in December, 1950. He has been working since then with refugees in Chonan, and is now head of an orphanage of 140 children, a home for war widows and children which shelters fifteen widows and twenty-five children, and a church in On Yang. He is also working in an On Yang refugee camp of several thousand persons.

When he fled North Korea, Mrs. Cha remained with their four youngest children. For two years, Mr. and Mrs. Cha did not know whether the other was alive, or what had happened to their eldest son, Tong Il Cha, who had escaped earlier and joined the ROK Army. Finally existence in North Korea became intolerable to Mrs. Cha, and she set out with the younger children to follow one of the refugee escape routes.

She later told Presbyterian missionary Otto De Camp that the severe bombings in the North made traveling dangerous, but that she had decided, "I'd rather die by UN bombs trying to escape than live any longer in the North."

In North Korea, Mrs. Cha said, perhaps 10 per cent of the people believe in Communism, "but the rest hate it." The plucky mother confessed amazement at the freedom in South Korea. "I was simply dumfounded to see everybody walking around and doing as they pleased," she said. "By comparison with

the North, South Korea is just like heaven. I am so thankful to God that with our children we were able to reach here safely."

When Mrs. Cha reached the border, she did not know where to look for her husband. Finally a government official told her he had heard of a Pastor Cha in On Yang, and a subsequent letter verified that the pastor was her husband. She hurried to join him.

This fall the family was completely reunited. Tong Il Cha, now a captain in the ROK Army, was a Red prisoner of war until he managed to escape for the second time from North Korea. Recently he heard of his mother's arrival in South Korea, won a leave from his post on the front, and was able to visit his mother, father, and brothers and sisters once again.

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## THIRD TIME TOGETHER



FOR THE THIRD TIME in their lives, five Moffett brothers, sons of Dr. Samuel A. Moffett, were reunited in Wooster before spreading out again to lands all over the globe.

Pictured when they were together here, the five brothers are: Charles H. (India) seated center; Thomas F. (W. Va.) seated left; Samuel H. (China and Korea) seated right; Howard F. (Korea) standing left; and James M. (Penna.) standing right.

The brothers are ministers with the exception of Howard who is a missionary doctor.

## Doubts Any Solutions Available; Not Asking To See Fired General

WASHINGTON — PRESIDENT Truman today expressed doubt that Gen. Douglas MacArthur has a workable plan for ending the Korean war, but that if the deposed Far East commander does have a solution he should come forward with it like any decent man.

Mr. Truman told a news conference he does not want to see MacArthur, the war hero he fired abruptly 20 months ago. Nor has he seen any reason for soliciting MacArthur's views.

HE SAID THAT both MacArthur and President-elect Eisenhower have a duty to come forward immediately with any solution they may have which will end the conflict and save American lives. He said MacArthur could come in any time he wants to because he (Mr. Truman) would not be discourteous to anybody.

HE ADDED, however, he could see no good purpose for a personal meeting with MacArthur or Eisenhower, indicating doubt either of them has a workable plan.

Mr. Truman said MacArthur has a particular duty to come forward with any proposal for a Korean solution since he, as a five star general, is on active duty and will be for all his life.

Expressing doubts that MacArthur has anything worthwhile, Mr. Truman said he traveled 14,400 miles to see the former Pacific commander at Wake Island once and all he got was a lot of misinformation. The Wake Island trip was in October, 1950.

HE SAID INFORMATION was in the effect Chinese Communist would not enter the Korean conflict; it would be possible a division from Korea for occupation purposes. The war in Korea has been over.

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